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KUYBYSHEV AIRFRAME

PLANT NO. 18, USSR

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Kuybyshev Airframe Plant No. 18 (53 13N-50 19E) is located at the east edge of Kuybyshev (53 12N-50 13E). The flyaway field for the plant, Kuybyshev/Bezymyanka Airfield, is located immediately NE of the plant area.

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The aircraft located at the airfield and in the plant area on TALENT are identified as follows: 12 BEAR "A", 3 BEAR probably "B" (See Figure 1), 23 BADGER, 3 CLEAT, 1 CRATE, 6 CAB, and 2 probable CREEK.

The 12 BEAR identified as "A" model all have generally pointed noses which indicates that they are not equipped with CROWN DRUM radar, however, the 3 probable "B" model BEAR have noses which appear to be wider and more blunted than the "A" models indicating that they are probably equipped with CROWN DRUM radar. The lack of the additional features of the BEAR "C" (refueling probe and large fairings on the sides of the rear fuselage) indicates that all the BEAR on the field at the time of photography are of no later generation than "B". It is strongly felt that the 3 probable "B" models are in fact BEAR "B" however, these 3 aircraft are parked in a direction that differs from all the other BEAR so that comparison of their shadows with the shadows of the BEAR "A" aircraft is not possible. Another factor that enters in the identification is that with the difference in direction of the aircraft, the wider and blunter appearance of the nose may be caused by halation. These two factors, shadow and halation, therefore relegate the identification of the 3 BEAR to probable "B" model.

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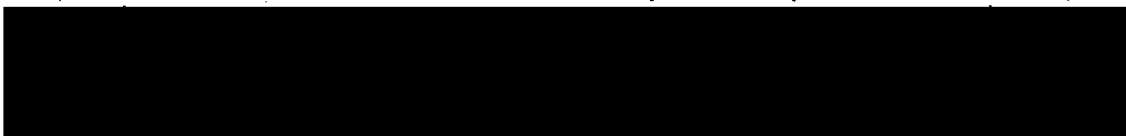
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AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION

